*** PUBLIC NOTICE ***

OF AN EXTENSION OF THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD ASSOCIATED WITH REVISIONS TO EPA'S STATEMENT OF BASIS FOR A CONSTRUCTION PERMIT WHICH REGULATES THE EMISSIONS OF AIR POLLUTANTS

Permit No. AZP 04-01

On January 22, 2009 the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA" or "the Agency") published a notice requesting public comment on revisions to its basis for issuing a permit authorizing construction of the Desert Rock Energy Facility (DREF). The DREF would be located on trust lands of the Navajo Nation near Farmington, New Mexico.

The January 22, 2009 notice pertained to an addendum to the statement of basis for the permit, which explained the basis for the Agency's prior proposal not to include limits on emissions of carbon dioxide in the permit. EPA hereby extends the public comment period associated with this addendum to the statement of basis.

All comments must be submitted to Joe Lapka of the EPA Region 9 Air Permits Office (contact information provided below). Comments that are hand-delivered or that are sent by fax or email must be received by March 25, 2009. Comments that are submitted by mail must be postmarked by that date. See 40 CFR 124.11 and 124.12 for further information about the procedures for public participation. As discussed in the January 22 notice, comments on any other issue related to the permit or the Administrative Record for the permit will not be considered.

The permit, addendum to the statement of basis, and the January 22 notice are available on EPA's website at http://epa.gov/region09/air/permit/desert-rock/index.html; they may also be obtained by contacting Joe Lapka of the EPA Region 9 Air Permits Office:

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Please bring this notice to the attention of all persons who you know would be interested in this matter.